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SUBJECT: DEFINITION OF AGGRESSION

1. CONTACT GROUP II RESUMED DISCUSSION OF ART 5 (SELF-DETERMINATION ) AM 20 MAR. SPAIN PROPOSED ADDITION "SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY" AT END OF 2ND LINE. UK RECORDED IT OBJECTION TO SUCH AN ADDITION. CONTACT GROUP DECIDED CREATE SMALL "NEGOTIATING GROUP" TO PRODUCE NEW INTRODUCTORY LANGUAGE OF ART 3 , AND REDRAFTS OF ARTS 3(G), 4, AND 5. NEGOTIATING GROUP COMPOSED OF UK, USSR, GHANNA, EGYPT AND FRANCE.
2. NEGOTIATING GROUP CONVENED IMMEDIATELY AND, AFTER SOME DISCUSSION, ARRIVED AT FOL INTRODUCTORY LANGUAGE FOR ART3 "ANY OF THE FOLLOWING ACTS, REGARDLESS OF A DECLARATION OF WAR, SHALL, SUBJECT TO AND IN ACCORD-ANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ART 2, CONSTITUTE AN ACT OF AGGRESSION." ALTHOUGH GROUP DECIDED NOT TO COMBINE ARTS 2 AND 3 (PARTLY FOR DRAFTING REASONS AND PARTLY FOR PRESENTATIONAL REASONS), IT AGREED NEW INTRODUCTORY LANGUAGE WOULD HAVE THE SAME EFFECT IN SUBSTANCE, AND THAT ALL QUALIFYING PROVISIONS ART 2 WOULD APPLY TO ART 3 LIST.
3. GROUP THEN DISCUSSED INDIRECT USES OF FORCE. AFRICANS AND ARABS STRONGLY RESISTED ANY EFFORT EXPAND SCOPE OF EXISTING PARA. ARGUMENT ON BOTH SIDES FOLLOWED WELL WORN TRACK WITH AFRICANS AND ARABS INSISTING ANY INCLUSION

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OF INDIRECT USES OF FORCE WAS MAJOR CONCESSION FROM

THEIR BASIC POSITION AND US AND UK POINTING TO FRIENDLY  
RELATIONS TEXT AND URGING THAT THERE NO BASIS FOR  
NARROWER SCOPE IN CURRENT CONTEXT. LAMPETEY (GHANA)  
URGED US TO ACCEPT GENERAL LANGUAGE ON WHICH EACH SIDE  
COULD PUT GLOSS. DISCUSSION THEN MOVED ON THE SELF-  
DETERMINATION SAVINGS CLAUSE AND AFRICANS AND ARABS  
ARGUED FOR GREAT DETAIL AND SPECIFICITY AND US AND UK  
ARGUED FOR GENERAL LANGUAGE WITH ARABS AND AFRICANS  
DEMANDING SPECIFICITY AND VERY FIRM DESIRE TO STICK TO  
ARTICLE 5 AS DRAFTED. MAIN WORKING GROUP MET BRIEFLY  
IN AFTERNOON, AND CREATED THIRD CONTACT GROUP TO CONSIDER  
ARTS 6 AND 7. THIS GROUP WILL COMMENCE WORK 21 MAR.  
COMMENT: MOOD OF SESSION CONTINUES GOOD WITH ALL CON-  
CERNED EVIDENCING WILLINGNESS TO MAKE CONCESSIONS ON  
ALL ISSUES (PROBLEMS REGARDING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN  
ARTS 2, 3 AND 4 AND SPECIAL INTEREST POSITIONS WHICH  
CAUSED PROBLEMS IN 1973 SESSION) EXCEPT THOSE RELATING  
TO INDIRECT USES OF FORCE, SELF- DETERMINATION AND  
INCLUSION OF PURPOSES IN ARTICLE 2. ON THESE ISSUES  
EACH SIDE STILL WAITING FOR SIGN OF GIVE FROM THE OTHER.  
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